## **Abstract**

A method of determining a network management scalability threshold of a network manager with respect to a network, includes gathering information about the network, gathering information about the network manager, and determining a maximum size threshold of a zone in the network based on the gathered network information and the gathered network manager software program information. A system for determining a network management scalability threshold of a network manager with respect to a network includes a mechanism for gathering information about the network, a mechanism for gathering information about the network manager, and a mechanism for determining a maximum size threshold of a zone in the network based on the gathered network information and the gathered network manager software program information.

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